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TO: Bail Agents Holding Appointments With Crum & Forster

Indemnity Company, United States Fire Insurance Company

and The North River Insurance Company

Be advised that the above referenced surety companies have refiled the bail bond premium rates that can be charged for bail bonds written through these companies. Their premium no longer includes a thirty five dollar (\$35.00) bond fee for each bond. The premium for all state bonds is 10% of the penal bond amount, all federal bonds 12% of the penal amount.

Idaho Code § 41-1042 provides for charges and fees a bail agent may charge in relation to the bail transaction. Idaho Code § 41-1042 (c) places specific requirements and limitations on additional fees other than the filed premium that the bail agent may charge and collect. Please note that any fees must be actually and reasonably incurred. Fees charged in relation to this section must be documented and that documentation must be maintained as required by Idaho Code § 41-1041. Any fees charged and/or collected that are not in compliance with the above referenced statutes may result in an enforcement action being taken against the bail agent.

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